Easter Sunday of the Ressurection of the Lord



Mass Intentions



HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 20

7:30pm Solemn Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection Mass for the People

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 21

8:00am †The Flynn & Carney Families Requested by James & Kathleen Carney 10:00am†For the Deceased Members of the Perpetual Mass Association

12:00nn †Vivian Drury

Requested by Vicky Montani

Monday, April 22 7:00am †Gerald Fortin

Requested by Pat & Jim Noonan

Tuesday, April 23 7:00am Mass for the People

Thursday, April 25

7:00am †John Champion

Requested by Family

Friday, April 26

7:00am †Rita & Tom O'Rourke & Warren Behie

Requested by Family

Saturday, April 27

4:30pm †Louis & Amelia DiSalvo

Requested by Family

Sunday, April 28 8:00am †Barbara McNulty

Requested by Family

10:00am †Sean King

Requested by Family

12:00nn †Edward DiMuccio

Requested by Diane & Mark Castro



St. Romuald Chapel Mass

Sunday, April 21

10:00am †Bob Alarie

Requested by Jude

Sunday, April 28

10:00am †Norbert & Marguerite Jarbeau Requested by Dan & Corinne McKinnon 3:00pm Divine Mercy Sunday Mass



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of John Champion.



Fr. Bodah and the Staff of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Romuald would like to wish you all a very Blessed Easter! Know that you and your families remain in our prayers!

THE PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 22

2019 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL "Faith and Good Works"

OUR GOAL FOR 2019 IS: \$118,000.00

The newest update was not available at time of transmission. As of 4/8/19: \$38,833.00

Because of your generosity to the annual Appeal, over 1,000 individuals are served through the HIV/AIDS Ministry. Thank you for your support.

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support
Budget envelopes used (228)
Loose Donations <u>April 14</u> \$1,685.00 Online Giving (# of donors–59) **Total Budget** \$1,851.00 \$9,524.00

Second Collection (Catholic Relief/Operation Rice Bowl)
Budget envelopes used (152) - \$1,989.21
Loose Donations - \$697.00
Total

This week's second collection is the Easter collection for the Diocese. Next week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

APRIL 21, 2019

From the Pastor,

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! The powers of sin and death are defeated, but at what a cost! Since Christ gave his life for us, what shall we offer him in return? Now we wait in prayer for the renewed outpouring of his Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who will continue the divine work in the world. "Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of thy love." A very blessed Easter season to all!

Here in our parish, the renewal of the parking lots at the chapel is still in the planning stages as of this writing on Monday of Holy Week. Work on the interior of the church will begin tomorrow, please God. The stains of the nail marks every three inches in the ceiling will be covered up although the small screws will be visible that will hold the panels to the ceiling. The woodwork will be cleaned and the walls above the paneling will be painted. Several pews will be removed and the others moved to make more room between them, and they will be refinished. The whole project should be done in less than two months.

The next phase, whose dates have not been set, will include new carpeting and the cleaning of the stained glass windows. Excelsior! Many, many thanks to all of you who continue to support the efforts of our parish. You are helping to ensure the continuation of "the mother church of South County."

Fr. Bodah

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



Next Sunday, is Divine Mercy Sunday. Everyone is invited to a special Mass at 3:00pm at St. Romuald Chapel celebrated by Fr. Nick Smith.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 1:00pm. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 2:50pm. (*materials will be provided*).

The afternoon concludes with the Celebration of Mass at 3:00pm, the hour of mercy, celebrated by Fr. Nick Smith, our Pastor Emeritus.

Confessions will not be offered. Please note that if you went to confession during Lent, within 20 days prior to Divine Mercy Sunday or within 20 days following Mercy Sunday, you are covered under the conditions for a plenary indulgence.

Refreshments will be served following this service.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

No Religious Education Classes today-Happy Easter

Our final Sunday class for Grades K-6 is next Sunday, April 28th

Thursday, April 25th

Jesus, help me prepare my heart for you...

Family Novena for First Holy Communion begins today

April 27th & 28th

Homeless awareness sleep out for all Confirmation candidates. (FGC)



First Holy Communion is Saturday, May 4th at 10:00am.



A Pre-Confirmation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 24th at 7pm on the first floor of Fr Greenan Center for <u>all grade 8 teens and parents</u>. Our Confirmation program will be explained in its entirety at this meeting. It is *important* to contact the religious education office to confirm your attendance!

This Week

Monday, April 22

Parish Office closed . NO Adoration

7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting (MCCR)

Tuesday, April 23

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (Loft)

Thursday, April 25

9-10:30am Parish staff meeting-office closed during this time 6:30pm Alpha Group (FGC)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (Rectory)

Final Reminder for Elementary School Tuition Aid

Now is the time to turn in tuition assistance applications for the **2019-2020** school year. If you have not yet received your forms from the school, please call the school and inquire about them.

Regarding Catholic School Assistance:

The Diocese of Providence urges all parishes to support Catholic Schools by giving aid, as far as possible, when parents request it. As believers in the value of Catholic Schools, we are happy to do that, both to the fullest extent allowable, and to the extent that the parish can afford. Some things to note, however! Eligibility for consideration requires that families:

- 1. Complete the Facts Form from the Catholic School Office. (No applications will be considered if the Facts Form has not been completed)
- 2. You must be registered parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Parish & contributing members for at least a one year period.
- 3. Attend Mass regularly.
- 4. Be actively involved in St. Francis of Assisi parish life.
- 5. All requests are to be turned into the parish office, whether your child has been accepted or not, <u>no later than April</u> 30.

Please submit your assistance request **by mail** to St. Francis of Assisi, 114 High St., Wakefield, RI 02879 . **Please, no phone calls!** In your request please state how you are active in this parish.

Names of Loved Ones/Easter Flower Offering

The names of the loved ones written on the Easter Offering Flower envelopes will be placed in a box on the altar at St. Francis Church. Those members will be



remembered and prayed for throughout Easter.



Because of the construction that will take place in the church the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Mondays will not take place until further notice.



Pizza Bingo Night at St. Francis (Father Greenan Center) This Friday, April 26

We will be hosting Pizza/Bingo night this Friday in Father Greenan Center from 5:30-8:00pm.

Admission is \$12 per person and \$6 for children under 10. The fee pays for two bingo cards, two delicious pizza slices, beverage, salad & dessert. Prizes will be awarded. *Join us for a night of fun, fellowship and laughs. Tickets will be sold at the door.*

MAY MONEY MADNESS

Tickets For May Money Madness are being sold after Masses on April 27/28. (this is the last weekend to be sold after Masses) They can also be purchased at the parish office, Monday through Friday 9am to 4pm. The last day to buy a ticket is April 30th.



Ticket prices are: \$10 each, 6 for \$50 or 12 for \$100. A fun parish event with prizes awarded daily throughout the month of May.

<u>Drawing Prizes</u>: Monday thru Saturday—\$50; Sunday—\$100; May 31st drawing—\$500.

Fill out the form below and include payment. Return through the weekly offertory or mail to: May \$ Madness, St. Francis Church, 114 High St., Wakefield, RI 02879 Tickets will be forwarded to you.

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name:			
Address:			
Phone No			
No. of Tickets: _	\$10 each	6 for \$50 _	_12 for \$100

MIDDLE SCHOOL VOCATIONS RETREAT

The Vocations Office of the Diocese of Providence will host a discernment retreat for middle school boys on Saturday, May 4, 2019 from 9am-3pm at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence, 485 Mt. Pleasant Ave, Providence. The retreat offers young men an opportunity to meet seminarians, talks on the priesthood/vocations, a tour of the seminary and Holy Mass. For more information, call the Vocations Office, 401-331-1316. Registration forms are available at https://catholicpriest.com.